

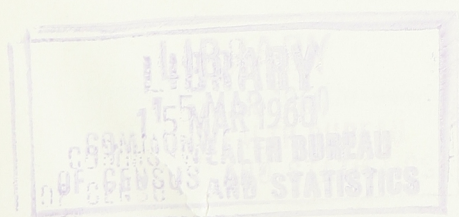
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This Review, which replaces the Victorian Quarterly Abstract of Statistics, will include both monthly and quarterly tables and every effort will be made to provide the latest information at the time of going to print.

Suggestions for improvement of the contents will be welcomed.

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POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS : VICTORIA

Period	Marriages	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase (a)	Net Mig- ration(b)	Population	
						Whole State(c)	Metrop- olitan(d)
1949-50	20,048	48,788	22,230	26,558	38,534	2,208,078	1,272,300
1950-51	20,814	50,295	22,436	27,859	40,638	2,276,575	1,302,200
1951-52	20,747	51,757	24,039	27,718	40,198	2,344,491	1,330,800
1952-53	19,302	54,108	22,514	31,594	19,169	2,395,254	1,359,100
1953-54	19,567	53,910	23,054	30,856	26,231	2,452,341	1,388,800
1954-55	19,454	55,497	22,407	33,090	37,587	2,523,018	1,544,500
1955-56	20,378	57,627	22,657	34,970	47,100	2,605,088	1,595,300
1956-57	19,889	59,185	24,355	34,830	33,580	2,673,498	1,677,100
1957-58	21,034	60,136	23,831	36,305	31,594	2,741,397	1,726,100
1958-59	20,293	62,799	25,107	37,692	35,434	2,814,523	1,777,700
1955 -							
March Qr.	4,817	13,934	4,790	9,144	22,129	2,512,150	n.a.
June Qr.	5,046	13,800	5,717	8,083	2,785	2,523,018	n.a.
Sept. Qr.	4,124	14,181	6,687	7,494	15,679	2,546,191	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	6,069	14,421	5,333	9,088	- 258	2,555,021	1,595,300
1956 -							
March Qr.	5,360	14,757	4,867	9,890	23,908	2,588,819	n.a.
June Qr.	4,825	14,268	5,770	8,498	7,771	2,605,088	n.a.
Sept. Qr.	4,368	14,579	7,340	7,239	12,249	2,624,576	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,584	14,789	5,909	8,880	- 833	2,632,623	1,649,000
1957 -							
March Qr.	4,754	15,273	5,378	9,895	17,265	2,659,783	n.a.
June Qr.	5,183	14,544	5,728	8,816	4,899	2,673,498	1,677,100
Sept. Qr.	4,376	14,958	7,157	7,801	9,817	2,691,116	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,926	15,689	5,868	9,821	- 302	2,700,635	n.a.
1958 -							
March Qr.	5,146	15,187	4,949	10,238	15,544	2,726,417	n.a.
June Qr.	5,586	14,302	5,857	8,445	6,535	2,741,397	1,726,100
Sept. Qr.	4,028	15,968	7,019	8,949	5,507	2,755,853	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,889	15,812	5,800	10,012	5,054	2,770,919	n.a.
1959 -							
March Qr.	5,312	14,715	5,609	9,106	16,934	2,796,959	n.a.
June Qr.	5,064	16,304	6,679	9,625	7,939	2,814,523	1,777,700
Sept. Qr.	4,246	15,465	6,860	8,605	6,884	2,830,012	n.a.

(a) Excess of Births over Deaths.
(b) Excess of interstate and oversea arrivals over departures. Interstate migration relates to recorded movements by rail, sea and air and certain special movements by road.
(c) As at end of each period.
(d) At middle of each period to 1955-56 and as at end of each period thereafter.
n.a. Not available.

NOTE : Population increase of the State is the sum of natural increase and net migration.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : VICTORIA
(Excluding Rural, Female Private Domestics and Defence Forces)

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Month	Total Employees			Total Employees in Main Industrial Groups				
	Government (a)	Private Emp- loyers	Total	Fac- tories	Building and Con- struction	Trans- port and Comm- unic- ation	Commerce and Finance	Pro- fessional and Personal Services (b)
MALES								
1957-June	162.7	423.3	586.0	245.8	50.6	74.9	100.5	56.1
1958-June	166.1	426.8	592.9	248.1	50.8	75.0	103.2	57.0
1959-June	169.3	432.3	601.6	252.3	50.7	75.9	105.0	58.6
1958 -								
Aug.	165.8	424.5	590.3	246.9	49.9	74.6	102.9	57.3
Sept.	165.8	425.5	591.3	247.8	49.6	74.5	103.3	57.4
Oct.	165.7	426.6	592.3	248.7	49.7	74.2	103.6	57.3
1959 -								
Aug.	169.1	432.9	602.0	253.3	49.8	76.2	104.8	58.8
Sept.	168.4	435.3	603.7	254.7	49.7	75.9	105.7	58.8
Oct.	167.8	437.4	605.2	255.9	49.5	75.7	106.4	59.0
FEMALES								
1957-June	42.1	198.3	240.4	94.3	1.4	11.4	58.1	65.2
1958-June	43.1	201.4	244.5	94.7	1.5	11.2	60.7	66.3
1959-June	45.2	206.7	251.9	96.7	1.5	11.6	62.2	69.5
1958 -								
Aug.	43.3	201.0	244.3	94.1	1.5	11.4	60.5	66.6
Sept.	43.3	201.6	244.9	94.5	1.5	11.4	60.8	66.6
Oct.	43.4	202.2	245.6	94.7	1.5	11.4	61.0	66.8
1959 -								
Aug.	45.1	207.4	252.5	97.2	1.5	11.7	62.0	69.5
Sept.	45.0	209.2	254.2	98.4	1.5	11.6	62.6	69.7
Oct.	44.8	210.9	255.7	99.5	1.5	11.7	62.8	69.9
PERSONS								
1957-June	204.8	621.6	826.4	340.1	52.0	86.3	158.6	121.3
1958-June	209.2	628.2	837.4	342.8	52.3	86.2	163.9	123.3
1959-June	214.5	639.0	853.5	349.0	52.2	87.5	167.2	128.1
1958 -								
Aug.	209.1	625.5	834.6	341.0	51.4	86.0	163.4	123.9
Sept.	209.1	627.1	836.2	342.3	51.1	85.9	164.1	124.0
Oct.	209.1	628.8	837.9	343.4	51.2	85.6	164.6	124.1
1959 -								
Aug.	214.2	640.3	854.5	350.5	51.3	87.9	166.8	128.3
Sept.	213.4	644.5	857.9	353.1	51.2	87.5	168.3	128.5
Oct.	212.6	648.3	860.9	355.4	51.0	87.4	169.2	128.9

(a) Commonwealth, State, local and allied governmental authorities.

(b) Includes education, health, hotels and restaurants.

BASIC WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT MALES : MELBOURNE

Month of Change	Under Commonwealth Awards	Under Determinations of State Wages Boards
	£. s. d	£. s. d
1950 - May	6.17. 0	6.17. 0
November	7. 3. 0	7. 3. 0
December	8. 2. 0 (a)	8. 2. 0 (a)
1951 - May	8.17. 0	8.17. 0
1952 - May	10.12. 0	10.12. 0
1953 - May	11.12. 0	11.12. 0
August	11.15. 0	11.15. 0
November		11.17. 0
1954 - August		11.16. 0
1955 - May		11.17. 0
1956 - May		12.16. 0
June	12. 5. 0 (a)	
August		13. 3. 0
1957 - May	12.15. 0 (a)	
1958 - May	13. 0. 0 (a)	
1959 - June	13.15. 0 (a)	13.15. 0 (a)

(a) Rates declared subsequent to a Commonwealth basic wage enquiry.

Female rates : Since December, 1950, female rates have been 75% of the corresponding male rates; previously they had varied according to the award or determination under which they were payable.

Note : Up to August, 1953, basic wage rates under Wages Board Determinations generally followed those fixed by the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration. In September, 1953, automatic quarterly adjustments of the basic wage were discontinued by the Commonwealth Court, but were continued for State Wages Board Determinations until August, 1956.

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (a) : VICTORIA

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Period	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.	Year
1952-53	15.33	16.58	14.84	16.09	15.71
1953-54	16.42	17.36	15.86	16.93	16.64
1954-55	17.24	18.04	16.73	18.35	17.59
1955-56	18.30	19.26	17.95	19.61	18.78
1956-57	19.44	20.45	18.78	20.12	19.70
1957-58	19.97	21.27	19.14	20.49	20.22
1958-59	20.68	22.01	19.62	21.27	20.89

(a) Total wages divided by total civil employment expressed in male earnings.

Note : Comparisons as to trends should be made for complete years.
Quarterly averages are affected by seasonal influences.

"C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS : MELBOURNE

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(Base of each group : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities
of Australia, 1923-27 = 1,000)

Period	Food and Groceries (a)		Rent	Clothing	Miscell- aneous	All Groups (a)	
1949-50	1,487		977	2,129	1,377	1,484	
1950-51	1,796		979	2,451	1,506	1,693	
1951-52	2,353		982	2,929	1,792	2,050	
1952-53	2,595		985	3,171	2,071	2,243	
1953-54	2,727		993	3,196	2,095	2,302	
1954-55	2,704		1,003	3,205	2,087	2,296	
1955-56	3,017		1,100	3,249	2,220	2,466	
	A	B				A	B
1956-57	3,012	3,172	1,211	3,318	2,356	2,530	2,587
1957-58	3,010	3,007	1,246	3,419	2,398	2,568	2,566
1958-59	3,067	3,077	1,307	3,458	2,549	2,639	2,642
1958 -							
Sept. Qr.	3,019	2,998	1,279	3,457	2,448	2,597	2,588
Dec. Qr.	3,039	3,046	1,298	3,456	2,585	2,634	2,635
1959 -							
March Qr.	3,074	3,114	1,317	3,447	2,584	2,648	2,662
June Qr.	3,135	3,152	1,333	3,471	2,581	2,678	2,684
Sept. Qr.	3,170	3,190	1,361	3,479	2,585	2,700	2,706

(a) Indexes in Columns "A" exclude, and those in Columns "B" include, potatoes and onions.

INTERIM RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS : MELBOURNE

(Base of each group : Year 1952-53 = 100)

Period	Food		Clothing and Drapery	Rent	Other Items	All Groups (a)	
	A	B				A	B
1952-53	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1953-54	103.8	104.6	101.3	100.8	100.9	102.1	102.4
1954-55	104.7	104.3	102.2	102.3	101.3	102.9	102.7
1955-56	109.9	112.9	103.9	111.9	109.6	108.4	109.5
1956-57	114.2	118.6	106.4	123.3	116.4	113.5	115.1
1957-58	114.9	115.1	110.5	127.1	117.7	115.5	115.6
1958-59	116.5	117.0	111.6	133.6	125.9	119.3	119.4
1958 -							
Sept. Qr.	115.3	114.9	111.6	130.5	119.7	116.8	116.7
Dec. Qr.	115.2	115.7	111.6	132.7	127.7	119.2	119.4
1959 -							
March Qr.	116.7	118.0	111.4	134.8	127.8	119.9	120.3
June Qr.	118.7	119.4	111.8	136.3	128.3	121.0	121.3
Sept. Qr.	119.1	119.9	112.1	139.5	128.7	121.6	121.9

(a) Indexes in columns "A" exclude, and those in columns "B" include, potatoes and onions.

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UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS
NUMBER OF PERSONS ON BENEFIT AND AMOUNT PAID IN BENEFITS : VICTORIA

Period	Number on Benefit (a)			Amount Paid in Benefits During Period			
	Unemploy- ment	Sickness	Special (b)	Unemploy- ment	Sickness	Special Ordinary	Migrants (c)
				£	£	£	£
1949-50	128	3,830	342	6,667	217,782	141,277	
1950-51	71	1,801	233	7,731	197,719	19,586	78,943
1951-52	220	1,621	262	11,215	181,117	23,856	22,752
1952-53	6,168	1,732	358	923,732	370,354	58,344	82,222
1953-54	2,698	1,987	458	507,676	405,414	78,490	48,552
1954-55	538	1,991	544	99,305	387,452	80,358	41,845
1955-56	479	1,684	528	74,664	345,171	83,878	43,559
1956-57	3,349	1,607	525	530,959	339,414	84,630	70,496
1957-58	5,127	1,604	557	1,011,800	406,032	106,158	115,576
1958-59	5,743	1,871	627	1,224,299	508,980	126,441	60,556
1956 -							
May	760	1,628	516	7,585	26,260	5,857	4,309
June	1,412	1,674	529	15,250	34,189	7,413	3,440
July	2,515	1,731	541	27,319	29,759	5,049	7,552
Aug.	3,129	1,758	550	36,997	29,715	8,036	5,203
Sept.	2,949	1,710	507	40,304	28,895	4,746	4,456
Oct.	3,067	1,681	527	42,176	31,833	6,598	1,513
1957 -							
May	4,057	1,546	520	48,261	20,485	7,523	10,321
June	5,073	1,545	531	70,065	32,676	7,872	15,671
July	5,887	1,519	510	55,096	18,280	4,413	18,173
Aug.	5,618	1,570	534	93,028	31,658	7,526	8,927
Sept.	5,271	1,655	541	81,852	26,663	7,183	11,836
Oct.	4,661	1,641	551	80,829	26,081	6,125	12,420
1958 -							
May	5,894	1,723	607	101,650	38,580	11,817	5,141
June	6,899	1,861	593	103,707	46,800	11,016	2,056
July	7,442	1,909	601	128,807	45,236	9,346	4,280
Aug.	7,435	2,029	614	137,362	46,039	10,330	3,660
Sept.	6,735	2,009	604	112,751	37,411	9,295	822
Oct.	5,656	1,946	615	117,628	45,529	11,154	3,729
1959 -							
May	5,643	1,889	683	99,287	48,798	13,206	5,600
June	6,013	1,972	716	99,058	44,305	10,280	10,319
July	6,339	2,011	703	127,119	54,753	16,274	7,777
Aug.	6,012	2,099	725	102,991	41,913	11,666	11,174
Sept.	5,281	2,127	730	104,224	46,351	14,040	1,055
Oct.	4,302	2,131	747	98,879	48,976	11,622	1,820

(a) Average of monthly figures for financial years and thereafter on benefit on last Saturday of month.

(b) Excludes migrants in reception and training centres.

(c) In reception and training centres.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK (a) : VICTORIA

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Period	Number of Disputes	Workers Involved			Working Days Lost	Estimated Loss in Wages £'000
		Directly	Indirectly (b)	Total		
1949-50	24	40,305	5,055	45,360	229,922	497
1950-51	33	42,985	9,771	52,756	1,027,941	2,003
1951-52	37	61,023	54	61,077	108,300	288
1952-53	40	22,123	3,173	25,296	42,153	144
1953-54	71	81,546	745	82,291	95,062	311
1954-55	81	34,219	3,534	37,753	122,480	407
1955-56	50	33,997	1,876	35,873	192,352	643
1956-57	46	20,267	1,015	21,282	20,262	65
1957-58	65	44,701	548	45,249	83,105	287
1958-59	56	15,307	1,172	16,479	42,118	146
1955 -						
March Qr.	25	8,539	824	9,363	21,339	63
June Qr.	21	12,546	1,014	13,560	20,475	65
Sept. Qr.	9	3,888	265	4,153	78,338	240
Dec. Qr.	11	8,282	184	8,466	18,355	68
1956 -						
March Qr.	23	16,540	1,317	17,857	85,545	302
June Qr.	7	5,287	110	5,397	10,114	33
Sept. Qr.	16	10,539	48	10,587	8,552	30
Dec. Qr.	8	3,228	808	4,036	7,454	21
1957 -						
March Qr.	13	5,077	-	5,077	1,716	6
June Qr.	9	1,423	159	1,582	2,540	8
Sept. Qr.	10	1,335	95	1,430	4,584	16
Dec. Qr.	15	893	199	1,092	4,604	16
1958 -						
March Qr.	21	20,129	179	20,308	51,136	174
June Qr.	19	22,344	75	22,419	22,781	81
Sept. Qr.	13	1,139	71	1,210	16,866	54
Dec. Qr.	13	1,982	799	2,781	9,072	30
1959 -						
March Qr.	22	6,810	283	7,093	10,641	39
June Qr.	8	5,376	19	5,395	5,539	23
Sept. Qr.	11	11,396	6	11,402	2,982	10

(a) Refers only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more.

(b) Persons thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppage occurred, but who were not themselves parties to the dispute.

MONTHLY PRODUCTION STATISTICS : VICTORIA
SELECTED LIST OF COMMODITIES (a)

Period	Elec- tricity	Gas	Sul- phuric Acid	Super- phos- phate	Electric Motors	Motor Bodies	Foot- wear (b)	Brown Coal
	mill. k.w.h.	mill. cu.ft.	'000 tons	'000 tons	No.	No.	'000 prs.	'000 tons
1949-50	2,706	10,747	238.0	624.8	76,723	40,363	12,282	7,637
1950-51	2,876	11,446	242.0	615.1	94,490	48,736	13,349	7,300
1951-52	2,964	12,525	242.8	633.0	113,610	49,667	12,443	8,096
1952-53	3,193	13,136	220.4	571.3	102,857	38,069	11,689	8,075
1953-54	3,693	13,715	252.9	659.5	160,219	63,019	13,873	8,731
1954-55	4,151	14,290	275.1	722.9	168,079	66,056	13,724	9,668
1955-56	4,647	14,461	296.3	760.2	175,313	83,213	14,379	10,383
1956-57	4,991	15,746	269.2	642.9	188,309	64,159	15,231	10,772
1957-58	5,250	16,684	314.6	773.9	213,046	90,495	16,199	10,859
1958-59	5,640	17,860	306.3	775.2	248,191	101,674	18,248	12,337
1957 -								
May	468	1,532	32.0	87.9	18,826	7,027	1,466	966
June	440	1,484	26.5	65.3	15,178	6,210	1,312	916
July	512	1,671	26.7	64.1	15,971	7,129	1,350	986
Aug.	481	1,605	28.9	68.6	16,717	6,980	1,365	972
Sept.	437	1,550	19.7	46.4	17,477	7,435	1,388	907
Oct.	448	1,448	(c)	41.2	19,764	8,579	1,514	917
1958 -								
May	486	1,508	33.9	78.9	17,522	8,521	1,532	1,002
June	508	1,656	(c)	94.0	16,393	7,729	1,435	1,001
July	559	1,892	28.2	70.7	22,364	8,376	1,515	1,117
Aug.	519	1,785	29.3	67.5	16,191	7,714	1,711	1,060
Sept.	475	1,624	23.5	57.6	18,918	7,924	1,727	1,061
Oct.	474	1,546	18.2	48.7	23,157	9,015	1,733	1,032
1959 -								
May	528	1,687	30.0	74.7	23,002	10,045	1,593	1,130
June	556	1,825	26.2	74.2	20,935	9,029	1,702	1,188
July	603	1,886	21.3	55.4	24,009	10,579	1,671	1,262
Aug.	563	1,791	22.3	53.4	22,364	10,153	1,834	1,209
Sept.	537	1,636	22.6	67.2	24,947	11,243	2,030	1,150
Oct.	516	1,574	21.4	57.5	23,598	10,527	1,955	1,162

(a) Particulars of production of other commodities appear in the Victorian Monthly Production Bulletin, which is obtainable free of charge on application to the Bureau.

(b) Excludes Rubber.

(c) Not available for publication.

MONTHLY PRODUCTION STATISTICS : VICTORIA
SELECTED LIST OF COMMODITIES (a)

9.

Period	Clay Bricks	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Sawn Native Timber	Roofing Tiles	Beer	Butter (b)	Flour	Meat (c)
	mill.	'000 sq. yds.	mill. sup. ft.	mill.	mill. galls.	'000 tons	'000 short tons	'000 tons
1949-50	146.9	6,050	308.8	31.42	49.35	62.99	447.8	292.81
1950-51	178.6	6,606	329.6	35.02	52.90	57.98	448.8	258.00
1951-52	185.2	7,317	348.5	35.63	56.17	59.24	559.2	267.13
1952-53	164.6	6,754	322.2	32.31	57.88	57.32	591.4	294.70
1953-54	198.5	6,665	339.0	32.65	63.63	63.61	473.8	292.53
1954-55	209.2	7,343	362.3	35.80	68.09	79.51	452.5	320.39
1955-56	225.5	8,069	351.3	39.36	71.59	90.67	451.5	306.83
1956-57	208.1	7,431	342.3	34.01	67.61	88.57	500.3	301.53
1957-58	236.4	7,621	346.4	34.55	69.34	86.18	477.7	360.67
1958-59	257.4	8,054	338.0	37.69	70.26	88.13	436.8	394.98
1957 -								
May	20.2	653	34.0	3.18	4.79	2.73	43.7	27.62
June	17.7	591	29.8	2.65	4.84	2.07	40.4	25.86
July	19.5	653	31.0	3.00	5.04	3.22	45.1	25.38
Aug.	20.6	652	31.4	3.00	4.92	5.98	45.0	24.02
Sept.	19.2	642	29.6	2.63	6.17	9.40	40.5	26.63
Oct.	21.6	715	31.1	3.04	6.23	12.43	46.3	33.39
1958 -								
May	23.4	695	32.2	3.37	5.23	2.31	35.6	30.64
June	20.6	663	30.4	3.18	4.79	1.98	34.2	26.57
July	22.7	741	31.9	3.40	5.09	2.79	40.4	30.45
Aug.	22.1	693	28.7	3.26	5.35	5.37	42.1	26.05
Sept.	22.3	728	29.5	3.32	5.71	9.04	40.0	26.97
Oct.	23.3	748	30.4	3.80	6.33	12.56	36.8	35.33
1959 -								
May	23.1	680	30.0	3.18	5.07	3.22	37.8	32.35
June	22.5	685	29.2	2.97	4.52	2.34	39.2	31.66
July	25.5	717	31.4	3.21	5.59	3.15	39.7	33.49
Aug.	23.0	701	29.0	3.17	5.58	6.12	38.0	27.65
Sept.	24.8	713	n.a.	3.37	6.32	10.15	54.6	32.53
Oct.	25.3	742	n.a.	3.18	6.63	13.37	38.7	38.82

(a) Particulars of production of other commodities appear in the Victorian Monthly Production Bulletin which is obtainable free of charge on application to the Bureau.

(b) Factory production only.

(c) In terms of fresh meat.

n.a. : Not available.

NEW HOUSES AND FLATS - NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS : VICTORIA

Period	Houses (dwelling units)				Flats (dwelling units)			
	Approved (a)	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Under Con- struction(b)	Approved (a)	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Under Con- struction(b)
1949-50	(c)	19,643	15,611	21,553	(c)	328	246	725
1950-51	(c)	26,949	21,194	27,308	(c)	473	333	865
1951-52	(c)	23,506	24,088	26,726	(c)	432	416	881
1952-53	(c)	16,254	21,284	21,675	(c)	490	692	685
1953-54	20,963	20,915	21,593	20,995	872	739	689	735
1954-55	23,000	23,674	23,839	19,827	1,157	1,183	781	1,137
1955-56	21,801	21,245	22,652	18,399	776	715	1,273	579
1956-57	19,868	19,649	20,185	17,863	1,259	1,110	897	792
1957-58	22,719	21,933	21,367	18,429	1,380	1,283	1,104	971
1958-59	22,826	22,443	24,329	16,543	1,884	1,826	1,434	1,363
1955 -								
Mar. Qr.	5,224	5,447	5,526	20,324	353	362	152	932
June Qr.	5,665	5,593	6,090	19,827	126	392	187	1,137
Sept. Qr.	5,723	5,529	5,679	19,677	177	165	244	1,058
Dec. Qr.	5,811	5,230	6,341	18,566	265	160	276	942
1956 -								
Mar. Qr.	5,203	5,584	5,298	18,844	110	146	320	768
June Qr.	5,064	4,902	5,334	18,399	224	244	433	579
Sept. Qr.	4,743	4,843	5,470	17,772	228	121	174	526
Dec. Qr.	4,820	4,812	5,346	17,238	137	263	181	608
1957 -								
Mar. Qr.	5,133	4,923	4,480	17,681	412	280	169	719
June Qr.	5,172	5,071	4,889	17,863	482	446	373	792
Sept. Qr.	5,583	5,153	4,813	18,203	380	327	306	813
Dec. Qr.	5,631	5,133	5,798	17,538	331	259	303	769
1958 -								
Mar. Qr.	5,641	5,732	5,084	18,186	308	323	205	887
June Qr.	5,864	5,915	5,672	18,429	361	374	290	971
Sept. Qr.	6,382	6,089	6,022	18,496	453	355	364	962
Dec. Qr.	5,935	5,428	6,669	17,255	528	321	407	876
1959 -								
Mar. Qr.	4,767	5,438	5,553	17,140	298	526	329	1,073
June Qr.	5,802	5,488	6,085	16,543	605	624	334	1,363
Sept. Qr.	6,077	5,558	5,856	16,245	806	542	415	1,490

(a) Approvals comprise permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let or day labour work commenced by government authorities.

(b) As at end of period.

(c) Not available.

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS : VICTORIA
(£'000)

11.

Period	Houses & Flats	Shops	Fac- tories	Business Premises	Educa- tion	Health	Other	Total
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COMMENCED

1955-56	67,678	3,607	19,415	15,052	5,011	3,169	7,484	121,416
1956-57	65,716	2,820	13,258	10,229	5,816	3,807	7,688	109,334
1957-58	75,620	3,661	16,013	10,893	4,207	5,320	6,419	122,133
1958-59	78,887	6,036	16,599	14,518	5,314	2,157	8,096	131,607
1958 -								
March Qr.	19,552	883	3,555	3,440	1,113	3,977	1,762	34,282
June Qr.	20,548	1,194	6,579	2,805	1,176	792	1,854	34,948
Sept. Qr.	21,021	1,438	3,256	5,403	1,867	462	1,646	35,093
Dec. Qr.	18,373	1,311	2,777	2,222	1,084	343	2,692	28,802
1959 -								
March Qr.	19,353	1,111	5,755	2,034	1,073	637	1,848	31,811
June Qr.	20,140	2,176	4,811	4,859	1,290	715	1,910	35,901
Sept. Qr.	20,456	2,482	4,624	4,529	2,292	969	2,240	37,592

COMPLETED

1955-56	71,362	3,993	18,640	5,782	4,592	2,004	5,221	111,594
1956-57	68,111	3,364	17,416	9,787	4,826	3,385	7,941	114,830
1957-58	73,196	3,666	19,219	14,391	7,600	6,753	6,931	131,756
1958-59	84,772	4,761	16,096	13,920	4,495	3,993	9,400	137,437
1958 -								
March Qr.	17,259	667	3,941	4,195	2,262	1,233	1,913	31,470
June Qr.	19,403	923	3,814	3,231	1,794	4,037	1,706	34,908
Sept. Qr.	21,016	1,070	3,701	1,822	607	858	1,890	30,964
Dec. Qr.	23,148	1,576	3,777	6,347	1,009	1,692	2,091	39,640
1959 -								
March Qr.	19,377	1,104	3,670	1,736	1,633	666	2,589	30,775
June Qr.	21,231	1,011	4,948	4,015	1,246	777	2,830	36,058
Sept. Qr.	20,752	1,137	5,076	3,627	1,303	439	3,310	35,644

UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD

1955-56	56,032	2,501	26,561	16,111	5,262	11,861	10,197	128,525
1956-57	55,717	2,081	23,458	16,945	6,296	13,080	10,366	127,943
1957-58	59,871	2,114	21,147	13,798	3,126	12,597	10,097	122,750
1958-59	55,658	3,434	22,011	14,791	4,071	11,269	8,945	120,179
1958 -								
March Qr.	58,342	1,827	18,231	14,145	3,759	15,556	9,924	121,784
June Qr.	59,871	2,114	21,147	13,798	3,126	12,597	10,097	122,750
Sept. Qr.	60,299	2,500	20,935	17,585	4,393	12,477	9,905	128,094
Dec. Qr.	55,967	2,266	19,978	13,533	4,483	11,329	10,579	118,135
1959 -								
March Qr.	56,391	2,261	22,090	13,869	3,935	11,297	9,847	119,690
June Qr.	55,658	3,434	22,011	14,791	4,071	11,269	8,945	120,179
Sept. Qr.	55,682	4,834	21,580	15,610	5,099	11,810	7,878	122,493

STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND (a) : VICTORIA

REVENUE

(£'000)

Item	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60 (Estimate)	July-November		
				1957-58	1958-59	1959-60
Taxation	28,523	30,504	35,480	10,284	11,197	12,881
Railways	35,948	38,142	38,258	14,842	15,249	15,546
State Coal Mines	472	409	378	180	162	140
Territorial	2,373	2,452	2,471	797	728	824
Interest	7,687	8,420	9,206	332	338	357
Commonwealth Grants -						
Financial Agreement	2,127	2,127	2,127	886	886	886
Tax Reimbursement	51,467	54,582	60,625	16,770	18,151	20,209
All Other Revenue	13,740	14,614	15,348	3,578	3,114	3,718
TOTAL REVENUE	142,337	151,250	163,893	47,669	49,825	54,561

EXPENDITURE

£'000

Interest, Exchange, etc.						
(b) *	19,746	21,532	24,168	9,195	10,086	11,083
Sinking Fund Contribution	4,170	4,689	5,173	1,735	1,965	2,140
Railways	36,639	36,426	37,436	15,708	15,165	15,524
State Coal Mines	773	648	635	291	252	215
Pensions, etc.	3,792	4,092	4,277	1,153	1,269	1,382
Law and Order	9,298	9,766	10,213		(4,031	4,014
Education	28,362	31,037	34,271		(11,824	13,266
Health	19,761	21,075	22,905	30,212	(8,867	9,640
Other Social	2,444	2,847	3,122		(861	920
All Other Expenditure	20,566	21,684	22,893		(6,798	7,293
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	145,551	153,796	165,093	58,294	61,118	65,477

(a) Tables on this page have been prepared from information published in the Annual Budget Papers and from the monthly statements issued by the State Treasury.

(b) * Excluding interest paid on loans received from the Commonwealth Government for Housing and Soldier Settlement. These amounts are included with "All Other Expenditure."

MORTGAGES OF REAL ESTATE LODGED FOR REGISTRATION : VICTORIA
(Lodged under Transfer of Land Acts and Property Law Act)

13.

Period	Mortgages of Real Estate -					
	Under £5,000		£5,000 and over		Total (a)	
	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
		£'000		£'000		£'000
1955-56	32,665	54,545	1,491	25,975	34,156	80,520
1956-57	31,655	56,592	1,563	22,967	33,218	79,559
1957-58	34,181	62,935	1,913	26,989	36,094	89,924
1958-59	37,471	73,285	2,460	32,375	39,931	105,660
1958-						
May	3,603	6,687	160	2,471	3,763	9,158
June	3,065	5,808	190	2,420	3,255	8,228
July	3,672	7,246	212	3,217	3,884	10,463
Aug.	3,463	6,622	200	2,344	3,663	8,966
Sept.	3,488	6,699	191	2,769	3,679	9,468
Oct.	3,736	7,370	212	2,968	3,948	10,338
1959 -						
May	3,210	6,461	217	3,137	3,427	9,598
June	3,295	6,744	207	3,066	3,502	9,810
July	3,757	7,315	239	3,056	3,996	10,371
Aug.	3,265	6,581	226	3,435	3,491	10,016
Sept.	3,210	6,551	177	2,351	3,387	8,902
Oct.	3,517	7,307	289	4,682	3,806	11,989

MORTGAGES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO TYPES OF MORTGAGEES : VICTORIA
£'000

Period	Types of Mortgagees -					
	Banks (a)	Co-operative Housing Societies	Insurance Companies	Commonwealth and State Government Institutions	Others	Total (a)
1955-56	16,115	5,797	16,701	9,906	32,001	80,520
1956-57	8,371	8,671	16,061	11,447	35,009	79,559
1957-58	12,050	7,790	18,565	15,337	36,182	89,924
1958-59	17,210	8,063	16,636	12,603	51,148	105,660
1958 -						
May	1,783	821	1,795	1,397	3,362	9,158
June	1,507	601	1,513	1,357	3,250	8,228
July	1,990	709	1,898	1,071	4,795	10,463
Aug.	1,843	877	1,198	1,162	3,886	8,966
Sept.	1,680	625	1,420	1,385	4,358	9,468
Oct.	1,700	852	1,825	1,420	4,541	10,338
1959 -						
May	1,291	666	1,492	1,145	5,004	9,598
June	1,322	887	1,080	970	5,551	9,810
July	1,088	1,053	1,013	1,156	6,061	10,371
Aug.	1,244	773	1,173	1,105	5,721	10,016
Sept.	1,258	674	913	1,556	4,501	8,902
Oct.	1,510	913	2,018	1,236	6,312	11,989

(a) Excluding mortgages to Trading Banks to secure overdrafts on current accounts.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (a) - AVERAGE DEPOSITS AND ADVANCES : VICTORIA
(£'000)

Period	DEPOSITS			Advances	Ratio of Advances to Total Deposits
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total		
1949-50	229,042	80,385	309,427	155,550	50.27
1950-51	310,069	98,050	408,119	179,967	44.10
1951-52	329,228	94,332	423,560	228,971	54.06
1952-53	321,396	83,297	404,693	224,091	55.37
1953-54	353,742	90,784	444,526	218,046	49.05
1954-55	367,752	105,717	473,469	249,129	52.62
1955-56	370,587	104,128	474,715	262,672	55.33
1956-57	365,878	111,249	477,127	246,724	51.71
1957-58	375,730	128,772	504,502	251,302	49.81
1958 -					
July	356,182	141,253	497,435	278,387	55.96
Aug.	352,078	141,583	493,661	275,864	55.88
Sept.	353,996	138,583	492,579	272,251	55.27
Oct.	364,741	141,303	506,044	271,716	53.69
1959 -					
July	364,637	154,019	518,656	263,736	50.85
Aug.	363,735	155,783	519,518	261,485	50.33
Sept.	371,966	155,778	527,744	258,381	48.96
Oct.	379,926	159,437	539,363	263,213	48.80

(a) Compiled from weekly returns of the banks specified in the Banking Act 1945-1953 and including the Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (a) - DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS : VICTORIA
(Excluding Debits to Australian Government Accounts at City Branches)
Weekly Averages (£ million)

Period	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60
July	138.0	161.0	183.8	185.0	204.6	219.7	251.2
August	124.7	156.5	167.3	165.1	184.0	194.9	228.6
September	131.2	168.6	169.3	183.5	196.6	206.9	247.6
October	140.6	178.0	183.8	192.3	210.5	224.4	262.7
November	146.9	170.4	196.1	194.3	212.5	225.6	
December	174.6	184.4	205.2	202.8	242.8	253.4	
January	146.3	165.9	172.2	188.0	173.5	176.8	
February	156.5	188.8	184.0	206.2	201.9	244.6	
March	180.4	187.0	191.1	207.1	212.5	235.0	
April	165.1	174.6	190.2	210.4	216.5	223.0	
May	177.3	191.7	199.2	214.6	218.2	247.1	
June	171.7	182.3	181.0	201.7	216.9	240.1	

(a) Includes all cheque-paying banks and, in addition, the Rural Credits Mortgage Bank and Industrial Finance Departments of the Commonwealth Bank.

SAVINGS BANK ACCOUNTS AND DEPOSITORS' BALANCES (a) : VICTORIA

15.

Period	Number of Operative Accounts - All Savings Banks (b)	DEPOSITORS' BALANCES -				
		State Savings Bank	Commonwealth Savings Bank	Other Savings Banks	All Savings Banks	Per Head of Population
	'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£
1949-50	1,910	198,680	58,441	-	257,121	116.4
1950-51	1,981	213,687	68,092	-	281,779	123.8
1951-52	2,038	224,347	76,485	-	300,832	128.3
1952-53	2,080	234,834	85,137	-	319,971	133.6
1953-54	2,119	245,607	94,174	-	339,781	138.6
1954-55	2,154	260,151	104,597	-	364,748	144.6
1955-56	2,234	264,317	110,215	11,644	386,176	148.2
1956-57	2,320	266,276	114,542	30,751	411,569	153.9
1957-58	2,437	272,807	117,805	43,019	433,631	158.2
1958-59	2,565	281,296	122,577	54,581	458,454	163.9
1956 -						
May	2,222	259,099	107,761	10,032	376,892	147.5
June	2,234	264,317	110,215	11,644	386,176	148.2
July	2,225	263,678	110,561	14,072	388,311	150.0
Aug.	2,224	264,583	111,155	16,958	392,696	150.7
Sept.	2,234	265,667	111,956	18,670	396,293	152.1
Oct.	2,245	265,678	112,412	20,863	398,953	153.1
1957 -						
May	2,310	261,233	111,962	29,592	402,787	153.0
June	2,320	266,276	114,542	30,751	411,569	153.9
July	2,319	265,735	114,712	32,417	412,864	155.2
Aug.	2,315	267,834	115,505	33,569	416,908	156.7
Sept.	2,323	267,647	115,852	34,508	418,007	156.4
Oct.	2,333	269,243	116,716	36,054	422,013	157.9
1958 -						
May	2,425	267,735	115,278	42,352	425,365	157.5
June	2,437	272,807	117,805	43,019	433,631	158.2
July	2,438	272,773	118,104	44,007	434,884	159.5
Aug.	2,444	273,989	118,528	44,627	437,144	160.3
Sept.	2,457	274,826	119,075	45,196	439,097	160.4
Oct.	2,469	275,857	118,822	46,073	440,752	161.0
1959 -						
May	2,554	275,095	119,182	53,334	447,611	161.5
June	2,565	281,296	122,577	54,581	458,454	163.9
July	2,561	282,179	123,039	56,186	461,404	165.0
Aug.	2,560	285,379	124,383	57,542	467,304	166.0
Sept.	2,573	288,732	125,759	59,412	473,903	168.4
Oct.	2,586	290,542	126,803	60,706	478,051	169.9

(a) At end of period.

(b) Excluding School Bank accounts.

Period	Number of Agreements Made	Total Value of Goods (b) (£'000)	Amount Financed (c)		Average Proportion of Sale Financed (c) (Per cent.)	Balances Outstanding at end of Each Period(d) (£'000)
			Total	Average per Agreement £		
			(£'000)			

MOTOR VEHICLES, TRACTORS, ETC.

1955-56	79,851	58,326	35,284	442	60.5	(e)
1956-57	82,081	59,287	37,192	453	62.7	
1957-58	94,426	69,120	43,427	460	62.8	
1958-59	104,051	78,358	49,477	476	63.1	
1958 -						
April	8,380	6,326	3,970	474	62.8	
May	8,577	6,571	4,060	473	61.8	
June	7,430	5,492	3,453	465	62.9	
July	8,303	6,224	3,853	464	61.9	
Aug.	7,828	5,670	3,507	448	61.9	
Sept.	9,251	6,833	4,259	460	62.3	
1959 -						
April	9,119	7,098	4,507	494	63.5	
May	8,390	6,418	4,092	488	63.8	
June	8,728	6,507	4,186	480	64.3	
July	8,320	6,327	4,125	496	65.2	
Aug.	9,525	7,170	4,656	489	64.9	
Sept.	10,431	7,958	5,138	493	64.6	

PLANT AND MACHINERY

1955-56	5,045	3,142	1,913	379	60.9	(e)
1956-57	5,529	3,739	2,370	429	63.4	
1957-58	5,500	3,971	2,495	454	62.8	
1958-59	9,094	5,605	3,586	394	64.0	
1958 -						
April	457	355	226	495	63.7	
May	503	388	248	493	63.9	
June	432	272	173	400	63.6	
July	599	415	266	444	64.1	
Aug.	555	327	207	373	63.3	
Sept.	690	424	271	393	63.9	
1959 -						
April	769	410	261	339	63.7	
May	737	414	272	369	65.7	
June	777	500	327	421	65.4	
July	609	392	251	412	64.0	
Aug.	767	508	340	443	66.9	
Sept.	701	499	327	466	65.5	

(a) The statistics on this and the following page, relate to businesses which finance the sale of goods by retail but do not retail goods themselves.

(b) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance).

(c) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

(d) Includes hiring charges and insurance.

(e) Separate details not available.

See page 17 for total balances outstanding.

Period	Number of Agreements Made	Total Value of Goods (b) (£'000)	Amount Financed(c)		Average Proportion of Sale Financed (c) (Per cent)	Balances Outstanding at End of Each Period (d) (£'000)
			Total (£'000)	Average per Agreement (£)		

HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS

1955-56	158,130	13,019	10,589	67	81.3	(e)
1956-57	158,529	15,048	12,111	76	80.5	
1957-58	197,535	26,341	21,438	109	81.4	
1958-59	183,455	22,902	18,747	102	81.9	
1958 -						
April	16,395	2,371	1,942	118	81.9	
May	17,832	2,588	2,148	120	83.0	
June	15,134	2,226	1,801	119	80.9	
July	15,967	2,319	1,909	120	82.3	
Aug.	15,387	2,183	1,805	117	82.7	
Sept.	16,620	2,268	1,856	112	81.8	
1959 -						
April	14,240	1,699	1,400	98	82.4	
May	13,903	1,690	1,386	100	82.0	
June	14,680	1,781	1,448	99	81.3	
July	13,032	1,611	1,317	101	81.8	
Aug.	13,039	1,537	1,250	96	81.3	
Sept.	15,923	1,754	1,412	89	80.5	

TOTAL (ALL GOODS)

1955-56	243,026	74,487	47,786	197	64.2	56,533
1956-57	246,139	78,074	51,673	210	66.2	64,445
1957-58	297,461	99,432	67,360	226	67.7	85,020
1958-59	296,600	106,865	71,810	242	67.2	100,359
1958 -						
April	25,232	9,052	6,138	243	67.8	81,814
May	26,912	9,547	6,456	240	67.6	84,042
June	22,996	7,990	5,427	236	67.9	85,020
July	24,869	8,958	6,028	242	67.3	86,524
Aug.	23,770	8,180	5,519	232	67.5	87,797
Sep.	26,561	9,525	6,386	240	67.0	89,915
1959 -						
April	24,128	9,207	6,168	256	67.0	99,131
May	23,030	8,522	5,750	250	67.5	99,801
June	24,185	8,788	5,961	246	67.8	100,359
July	21,961	8,330	5,693	259	68.3	100,402
Aug.	23,331	9,215	6,246	268	67.8	101,641
Sept.	27,055	10,211	6,877	254	67.3	103,660

a) The statistics on this page relate to businesses which finance the sale of goods by retail but do not retail goods themselves.

b) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance).

c) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

d) Includes hiring charges and insurance.

e) Separate details not available. See Total (All Goods) for total balances outstanding.

VALUE OF RETAIL SALES BY COMMODITY GROUPS : VICTORIA
(£ million)

Period	Food-stuffs (a)	Beer, Wine and Spirits	Clothing, Drapery, and Foot- wear	Hard- ware (b)	Elec- trical Goods (c)	Other Goods (d)	Total (Excl. Motor Vehicles etc.)	Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc. (e)
1949-50	100.7	28.3	76.1	17.8	12.3	80.1	315.3	77.3
1950-51	119.0	33.6	93.0	25.7	17.7	100.2	389.2	103.2
1951-52	145.7	41.9	99.7	29.4	21.8	116.2	454.7	117.0
1952-53	163.4	45.6	100.2	30.3	20.9	115.7	476.1	108.7
1953-54	173.3	50.1	112.5	33.1	23.9	121.6	514.5	124.5
1954-55	195.8	53.8	116.5	37.0	26.8	130.5	560.4	146.0
1955-56	212.2	59.0	121.8	39.1	30.0	144.9	607.0	164.3
1956-57	226.5	63.5	127.1	40.3	35.3	151.7	644.4	167.2
1957-58	231.1	65.7	133.8	41.4	43.1	154.8	669.9	187.9
1958-59	245.6	68.1	139.6	45.3	50.0	160.3	708.9	198.1
1955 -								
March Qr.	48.6	14.7	24.7	8.8	6.4	31.9	135.1	33.6
June Qr.	49.1	13.4	31.5	9.1	6.1	32.9	142.1	39.4
Sept. Qr.	51.2	13.4	28.4	9.5	7.1	34.8	144.4	41.0
Dec. Qr.	54.3	16.0	35.4	11.0	9.3	42.0	168.0	43.0
1956 -								
March Qr.	53.6	15.7	25.4	9.4	6.8	33.4	144.3	39.8
June Qr.	53.1	13.9	32.6	9.2	6.8	34.7	150.3	40.5
Sept. Qr.	55.0	14.0	29.0	9.6	6.9	36.6	151.1	41.5
Dec. Qr.	59.6	17.7	37.2	11.2	11.1	43.3	180.1	43.8
1957 -								
March Qr.	56.2	16.6	27.3	9.7	8.0	35.5	153.3	39.1
June Qr.	55.7	15.2	33.6	9.8	9.3	36.3	159.9	42.8
Sept. Qr.	56.3	14.9	30.8	9.9	9.7	36.9	158.5	43.0
Dec. Qr.	59.7	18.0	38.7	11.9	12.0	44.8	185.1	49.9
1958 -								
March Qr.	56.9	17.1	28.5	10.0	10.5	36.2	159.2	46.6
June Qr.	58.2	15.7	35.8	9.6	10.9	36.9	167.1	48.4
Sept. Qr.	59.8	15.4	33.0	10.9	12.9	38.7	170.7	48.2
Dec. Qr.	62.9	18.1	40.8	13.1	14.6	45.4	194.9	53.0
1959 -								
March Qr.	61.3	18.4	28.9	10.5	11.2	36.8	167.1	47.3
June Qr.	61.6	16.2	36.9	10.8	11.3	39.4	176.2	49.6

(a) Includes groceries, butchers' meat, fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread.

(b) Excludes basic building materials (e.g. timber, roofing tiles, bricks, etc.).

(c) Includes radios, television and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc.

(d) Includes furniture, tobacco, newspapers, books and stationery, chemists' goods, grain and produce, jewellery, office equipment, etc.

(e) Excludes farm machinery and implements, earth-moving equipment, etc.

NOTE : All figures from September, 1957, are subject to revision.

VALUE OF OVERSEA TRADE : VICTORIA AND AUSTRALIA

19.

Period	VICTORIA			AUSTRALIA		
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports
£'000 f.o.b.						
1949-50	184,257	166,197	- 18,060	538,069	613,697	75,628
1950-51	263,066	265,044	1,978	743,871	981,796	237,925
1951-52	363,193	185,994	-177,199	1,053,423	675,008	-378,415
1952-53	173,775	228,118	54,343	514,109	871,272	357,163
1953-54	237,683	203,581	- 34,102	681,609	828,332	146,723
1954-55	297,494	216,572	- 80,922	843,742	774,164	- 69,578
1955-56	299,340	209,396	- 89,944	821,088	781,864	- 39,224
1956-57	254,946	255,752	806	718,991	992,906	273,915
1957-58	282,713	218,373	- 64,340	791,940	819,151	27,211
1958-59	291,297	219,551	- 71,746	796,599	811,463	14,864
1956 -						
April	23,860	21,730	- 2,130	68,155	78,437	10,282
May	23,362	22,424	- 938	71,770	90,190	18,420
June	23,930	19,040	- 4,890	63,568	73,089	9,521
July	19,247	18,233	- 1,014	57,508	64,762	7,254
Aug.	29,440	12,861	- 16,579	78,855	60,523	- 18,332
Sept.	17,345	10,132	- 7,213	53,916	61,027	7,111
1957 -						
April	20,932	25,478	4,546	60,994	88,922	27,928
May	23,197	24,172	975	69,381	91,945	22,564
June	22,172	20,232	- 1,940	55,881	79,707	23,826
July	25,437	15,605	- 9,832	71,004	72,608	1,604
Aug.	22,186	13,420	- 8,766	68,283	60,555	- 7,728
Sept.	20,613	16,132	- 4,481	57,062	77,242	20,180
1958 -						
April	25,015	15,140	- 9,875	67,308	53,014	- 14,294
May	25,638	20,708	- 4,930	66,726	64,513	- 2,213
June	23,151	15,966	- 7,185	63,474	54,615	- 8,859
July	21,949	16,256	- 5,693	64,228	61,547	- 2,681
Aug.	28,093	12,708	- 15,385	72,954	47,567	- 25,387
Sept.	21,864	12,438	- 9,426	65,694	56,252	- 9,442
1959 -						
April	27,869	17,174	- 10,695	73,219	72,313	- 906
May	23,178	22,617	- 561	63,202	76,698	13,496
June	27,295	19,448	- 7,847	69,546	70,841	1,295
July	24,779(a)	16,988(a)	- 7,791(a)	70,963(a)	65,995(a)	- 4,968(a)
Aug.	26,915(a)	14,951(a)	- 11,964(a)	71,200(a)	64,405(a)	- 6,795(a)
Sept.	21,914(a)	15,094(a)	- 6,820(a)	64,155(a)	69,534(a)	5,379(a)

NOTE : Minus sign (-) indicates excess of imports.

(a) Preliminary figures only.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS (EXCLUDING ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS AND ROAD
MOTOR SERVICES UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS)

Period	Traffic Train Mileage	No. of Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (Excl. Livestock)	Live Stock Carried	Earnings (a)	Working Expenses (b)	Excess of Earnings Over Working Expenses
	'000	'000	'000 tons	'000 tons	£'000	£'000	£'000
1949-50	17,550	182,101	8,409	716	20,355	19,983	372
1950-51	14,575	141,313	7,043	496	18,651	20,811	-2,160
1951-52	16,973	165,131	8,574	630	24,186	29,612	-5,426
1952-53	17,690	162,857	8,580	612	31,864	34,008	-2,144
1953-54	18,303	166,106	8,622	579	35,707	35,951	- 244
1954-55	18,740	169,204	9,508	575	37,667	37,032	635
1955-56	18,635	166,708	9,127	480	37,032	38,026	- 994
1956-57	18,544	167,405	8,935	445	37,352	39,118	-1,766
1957-58	18,353	167,662	8,385	507	35,954	38,174	-2,220
1958-59	18,426	163,483	8,840	455	37,907	38,123	- 216
1956 -							
April	1,474	14,200	729	43	3,069	3,061	8
May	1,617	14,094	810	38	3,224	3,330	- 106
June	1,508	13,421	769	43	2,974	3,397	- 423
July	1,508	14,408	715	32	2,894	3,252	- 358
Aug.	1,565	13,529	783	33	3,099	3,288	- 189
Sept.	1,470	14,276	733	35	3,032	3,203	- 171
1957 -							
April	1,522	14,162	775	32	3,139	3,189	- 50
May	1,610	14,292	831	41	3,313	3,543	- 230
June	1,481	13,800	675	31	2,796	3,523	- 727
July	1,555	14,392	681	35	2,890	3,420	- 530
Aug.	1,552	13,475	689	31	2,896	3,366	- 470
Sept.	1,489	15,099	637	42	3,008	3,246	- 238
1958 -							
April	1,520	13,654	740	34	2,940	3,057	- 117
May	1,576	14,301	782	29	3,087	3,253	- 166
June	1,439	14,773	693	31	2,890	3,022	- 132
July	1,546	13,626	750	35	2,979	3,346	- 367
Aug.	1,521	13,776	708	29	3,005	3,144	- 139
Sept.	1,506	15,332	676	47	3,154	3,038	116
1959 -							
April	1,531	13,198	883	34	3,402	3,116	286
May	1,582	13,540	790	31	3,199	3,387	- 188
June	1,468	14,280	723	30	3,103	3,378	- 275
July	1,553	13,415	750	33	3,164	3,474	- 310
Aug.	1,510	14,457	670	32	3,071	3,247	- 176
Sept.	1,546	14,104	726	46	3,347	3,208	139

NOTE : Minus Sign (-) denotes excess of working expenses over earnings.

(a) Excludes Grants from Consolidated Revenue.

(b) Including Cost of Pensions and Pay Roll Tax.

CARGO DISCHARGED AND SHIPPED AT VICTORIAN PORTS
'000 TONS

21.

Period	CARGO DISCHARGED				CARGO SHIPPED			
	Oversea		Interstate		Oversea		Interstate	
	Weight	Measure- ment	Weight	Measure- ment	Weight	Measure- ment	Weight	Measure- ment
1949-50	2,686	1,309	1,781	238	1,062	458	447	246
1950-51	3,102	1,489	1,868	210	1,250	418	449	239
1951-52	3,093	1,725	2,128	243	1,040	372	444	297
1952-53	2,474	630	2,275	189	1,016	505	404	263
1953-54	2,871	943	2,216	344	856	493	462	423
1954-55	3,938	1,286	2,223	354	1,264	556	883	423
1955-56	4,679	1,306	2,469	369	1,359	550	1,193	372
1956-57	4,665	949	2,412	307	1,467	514	1,164	388
1957-58	4,810	1,032	2,505	339	1,093	541	1,371	365
1958-59	4,923	983	2,740	343	1,618	528	1,110	383
1956 -								
March	382	127	176	28	169	62	69	27
April	350	99	246	29	107	61	103	27
May	481	82	204	34	158	53	95	28
June	386	85	186	34	114	63	91	32
July	361	93	276	16	121	35	62	20
Aug.	350	148	212	25	84	55	91	28
1957 -								
March	368	84	166	32	119	58	92	40
April	340	75	178	28	113	59	84	36
May	525	75	190	27	112	58	143	39
June	312	67	186	16	102	42	50	31
July	474	100	243	22	91	49	135	31
Aug.	416	82	232	16	121	36	75	23
1958 -								
March	454	81	172	46	68	45	134	34
April	402	81	212	26	87	48	107	28
May	423	95	202	48	98	74	97	31
June	361	99	242	29	98	60	139	27
July	482	63	219	19	82	49	109	29
Aug.	394	110	223	15	108	40	91	29
1959 -								
March	362	89	268	33	101	47	100	36
April	407	70	227	37	158	55	95	30
May	344	84	266	27	119	61	101	36
June	454	79	310	23	154	49	71	32
July	409	94	277	32	130	42	132	46
Aug.	471	108	231	35	91	48	105	36

REGISTRATION OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES (a) : VICTORIA

Period	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities	Panel Vans	Other (b)	Total Other than Motor Cycles	Motor Cycles
1951-52	40,144	966	9,296	2,260	8,323	60,989	n.a.
1952-53	26,377	397	6,618	1,146	3,694	38,232	1,205
1953-54	33,708	671	6,673	1,474	3,652	46,178	2,358
1954-55	46,728	800	8,553	2,586	4,768	63,435	2,363
1955-56	48,496	1,167	8,899	3,414	5,256	67,232	2,244
1956-57	42,701	1,161	7,386	3,001	4,319	58,568	1,963
1957-58	45,948	3,897	7,592	3,954	3,962	65,353	2,142
1958-59	45,058	7,868	7,114	5,201	4,421	69,662	2,280
1956 -							
June	3,722	98	746	317	436	5,319	132
July	3,381	75	628	339	431	4,854	148
Aug.	3,913	81	589	320	430	5,333	227
Sept.	3,496	72	496	273	371	4,708	127
Oct.	3,773	87	612	296	433	5,201	175
Nov.	3,933	79	712	347	406	5,477	171
1957 -							
June	3,684	189	748	292	339	5,252	152
July	3,358	208	558	294	315	4,733	145
Aug.	3,335	187	653	297	284	4,756	139
Sept.	3,651	198	569	278	278	4,974	158
Oct.	4,510	216	696	373	362	6,157	170
Nov.	4,237	256	655	365	342	5,855	214
1958 -							
June	3,538	536	564	343	299	5,280	149
July	3,468	623	592	375	315	5,373	119
Aug.	3,557	600	527	356	324	5,364	160
Sept.	3,663	582	538	386	314	5,483	265
Oct.	4,231	630	628	468	443	6,400	229
Nov.	4,234	622	625	442	388	6,311	187
1959 -							
June	4,132	902	753	527	481	6,795	176
July	3,964	796	647	491	365	6,263	146
Aug.	4,264	925	569	549	367	6,674	152
Sept.	4,363	1,055	229	606	387	6,640	168
Oct.	5,426	1,287	685	555	469	8,422	184
Nov.	5,220	901	579	486	356	7,542	167

NOTE: Between 1st February, 1955 and 30th June, 1959 figures include extra-metropolitan registrations for month prior to that indicated.

(a) Excludes Defence service vehicles, but includes other Commonwealth-owned vehicles.

(b) Includes trucks, omnibuses, etc.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS : VICTORIA
ACCIDENTS INVOLVING CASUALTIES AS REPORTED BY THE POLICE

23.

Period	City of Melbourne (a)			Metropolitan Area excluding City of Melbourne		
	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured
1949-50	1,343	49	1,539	4,298	165	5,000
1950-51	1,253	54	1,392	4,523	222	5,191
1951-52	1,373	49	1,602	4,955	214	5,750
1952-53	1,310	42	1,525	4,740	173	5,579
1953-54	1,142	38	1,326	4,971	186	5,917
1954-55	1,108	38	1,282	5,110	203	6,035
1955-56	1,075	26	1,225	5,248	192	6,307
1956-57	1,074	25	1,287	5,398	205	6,621
1957-58	1,098	29	1,314	5,501	187	6,881
1957 -						
March Qr.	226	-	272	1,196	36	1,530
June Qr.	287	10	363	1,383	59	1,656
Sept. Qr.	294	8	363	1,427	57	1,774
Dec. Qr.	260	8	294	1,255	40	1,608
1958 -						
March Qr.	264	6	327	1,374	43	1,717
June Qr.	280	7	330	1,445	47	1,782
Sept. Qr.	253	15	298	1,726	64	2,139
Dec. Qr.	240	5	293	1,736	55	2,170
1959 -						
March Qr.	263	11	318	1,629	42	2,148
Period	Outside Metropolitan Area			Total - Victoria		
	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured
1949-50	2,977	287	3,999	8,618	501	10,538
1950-51	3,498	305	4,781	9,274	581	11,364
1951-52	3,783	340	5,179	10,111	603	12,531
1952-53	4,048	300	5,460	10,098	515	12,564
1953-54	4,424	345	6,108	10,537	569	13,351
1954-55	3,999	287	5,516	10,217	528	12,833
1955-56	4,283	364	5,951	10,606	582	13,483
1956-57	4,332	359	6,212	10,804	589	14,120
1957-58	4,634	355	6,820	11,233	571	15,015
1957 -						
March Qr.	1,122	101	1,606	2,544	137	3,408
June Qr.	1,219	95	1,761	2,889	164	3,780
Sept. Qr.	1,193	96	1,764	2,914	161	3,901
Dec. Qr.	1,152	79	1,659	2,667	127	3,561
1958 -						
March Qr.	1,116	81	1,665	2,754	130	3,709
June Qr.	1,173	99	1,732	2,898	153	3,844
Sept. Qr.	1,097	85	1,641	3,076	164	4,078
Dec. Qr.	1,054	89	1,630	3,030	149	4,093
1959 -						
March Qr.	1,177	115	1,829	3,069	168	4,295

(a) Municipality of Melbourne.

LIFE ASSURANCE : VICTORIA
NEW POLICIES ISSUED AND POLICIES MATURED OR OTHERWISE
DISCONTINUED (EXCLUDING ANNUITIES)

Period	New Policies Issued				Policies Matured (a)			
	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Ordinary Department		Industrial Department	
	Number	Sum Assured £'000	Number	Sum Assured £'000	Number	Sum Assured £'000	Number	Sum Assured £'000
1949-50	73,129	47,343	93,603	9,312	28,859	14,442	69,716	4,602
1950-51	79,383	57,935	81,840	8,645	34,032	16,868	66,807	4,642
1951-52	85,012	71,292	82,349	9,747	33,800	19,921	71,841	5,008
1952-53	82,749	67,812	82,851	10,306	35,506	22,069	78,999	5,752
1953-54	80,720	73,336	70,876	9,399	42,399	28,545	81,985	6,293
1954-55	75,958	90,370	62,569	9,145	42,950	28,729	85,495	6,621
1955-56	81,240	104,646	57,860	9,020	46,090	38,693	86,939	7,094
1956-57	80,963	124,034	57,358	9,009	48,526	35,968	85,866	7,510
1957-58	83,699	155,042	56,678	9,247	52,379	47,589	87,250	7,500
1958-59	87,351	163,523	52,053	9,007	53,009	52,115	83,752	7,868
1956 -								
April	6,345	6,596	5,274	805	3,646	2,589	7,572	639
May	6,662	11,244	4,813	737	4,314	4,057	7,760	632
June	7,558	9,122	4,737	762	4,072	3,240	8,724	729
July	6,820	10,920	5,574	883	4,381	3,191	8,543	698
Aug.	7,597	9,923	5,629	875	4,414	3,257	8,188	661
Sept.	9,322	12,387	5,893	921	4,951	1,844	7,383	507
1957 -								
April	6,861	9,420	5,629	862	3,944	3,072	6,245	561
May	7,081	11,318	5,465	844	4,343	3,457	8,220	704
June	7,530	10,714	4,757	785	3,925	3,241	8,286	690
July	8,357	18,660	6,158	979	5,056	4,118	8,952	721
Aug.	8,291	13,060	5,779	913	4,578	3,946	8,247	639
Sept.	8,951	13,183	5,911	946	4,659	4,200	7,613	543
1958 -								
April	5,566	9,020	4,208	676	4,185	3,986	5,521	512
May	7,276	11,933	5,197	836	4,429	3,853	6,617	587
June	7,342	16,901	5,537	942	4,386	3,971	9,318	819
July	8,410	13,797	4,937	821	4,744	4,040	6,668	563
Aug.	7,832	12,361	4,534	788	4,585	4,264	7,121	584
Sept.	8,821	19,635	5,836	971	4,071	4,211	7,111	615
1959 -								
April	7,808	13,639	4,691	808	4,584	4,570	6,162	561
May	8,343	15,671	4,721	823	4,556	4,536	6,724	669
June	8,789	15,213	5,016	909	5,877	5,652	8,836	850
July	8,478	17,960	4,278	760	5,094	4,615	7,444	673
Aug.	8,937	17,524	5,443	966	4,975	5,349	8,374	752
Sept.	12,439	20,673	4,811	860	7,120	6,195	5,978	481

(a) Includes policies which became due for payment on account of death or maturity, policies surrendered and policies discontinued for other causes.

NEW LOANS GRANTED BY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES
(EXCLUDING ADVANCES OF PREMIUMS)

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	Other	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1949-50	11,764	627	32	12,423
1950-51	13,187	763	1,111	15,061
1951-52	12,796	1,115	1,959	15,870
1952-53	6,362	1,108	1,427	8,897
1953-54	8,989	930	866	10,785
1954-55	12,781	1,108	674	14,563
1955-56	14,966	1,557	1,196	17,719
1956-57	15,859	1,690	1,997	19,546
1957-58	14,773	1,820	760	17,353
1958-59	16,525	2,189	622	19,336
1956 -				
April	934	146	94	1,174
May	981	156	1	1,138
June	1,982	156	204	2,342
July	2,261	151	12	2,424
Aug.	1,323	176	54	1,553
Sept.	1,620	136	14	1,770
1957 -				
April	972	125	207	1,304
May	1,224	156	15	1,395
June	1,005	146	42	1,193
July	1,350	154	11	1,515
Aug.	1,372	147	26	1,545
Sept.	1,571	132	3	1,706
1958 -				
April	1,409	145	124	1,678
May	1,591	151	2	1,744
June	952	184	5	1,141
July	1,198	185	30	1,413
Aug.	1,005	190	48	1,243
Sept.	1,388	169	54	1,611
1959 -				
April	1,760	208	69	2,037
May	1,585	217	129	1,931
June	1,268	223	106	1,597
July	1,080	222	282	1,584
Aug.	1,245	195	66	1,506
Sept.	1,464	216	67	1,747

POST OFFICE REVENUE (a) : VICTORIA

£'000

Period	Commission on Money Orders and Poundage on Postal Notes	Tele- graphs	Tele- phones	Postage, Private Boxes Bags, etc.	Miscell- aneous	Total
1956-57	238.8	1,508.0	15,213.8	8,391.0	707.8	26,059.4
1957-58	246.4	1,471.0	16,239.8	8,794.7	893.0	27,649.9
1958-59	255.4	1,538.7	17,539.8	9,327.1	1,001.1	29,662.1
1957 -						
July	21.4	88.7	1,247.9	699.1	50.7	2,107.8
Aug.	19.9	109.5	1,326.2	689.1	67.3	2,212.0
Sept.	21.0	101.0	1,333.1	689.6	37.9	2,182.6
Oct.	18.9	124.2	1,399.1	702.8	72.3	2,317.3
1958 -						
July	20.6	121.9	1,556.7	749.5	80.5	2,529.2
Aug.	21.2	111.2	1,444.7	720.4	51.9	2,349.4
Sept.	19.9	104.4	1,506.3	718.0	28.9	2,377.5
Oct.	22.5	136.2	1,617.2	859.8	106.5	2,742.2
1959 -						
July	22.4	111.5	1,821.6	927.3	58.0	2,940.8
Aug.	21.8	104.2	1,550.7	722.6	73.8	2,473.1
Sept.	21.8	185.5	1,374.6	738.4	80.5	2,400.8
Oct.	7.8	114.0	1,510.9	1,019.7	94.8	2,747.2

(a) Excludes Radio Receipts.

POST OFFICE SERVICES : VICTORIA

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Period	Gross Connections of Telephone Services			Television Viewers' Licences in Force (a)			Broadcast Listeners' Licences in Force (a)
	Metrop.	Country	Total	Metrop.	Country	Total	
1956-57	25.2	11.3	36.5	41.5	3.5	45.0	554.9
1957-58	30.4	12.6	43.0	134.1	13.6	147.7	558.0
1958-59	30.7	14.1	44.8	241.8	28.3	270.1	605.3
1957 -							
July	2.3	0.9	3.2	49.7	4.2	53.9	555.4
Aug.	2.3	0.9	3.2	57.2	5.0	62.2	554.9
Sept.	2.4	1.1	3.5	63.3	5.8	69.1	556.7
Oct.	2.6	1.1	3.7	69.2	6.5	75.7	556.4
1958 -							
July	3.3	1.2	4.5	149.5	15.7	165.2	559.7
Aug.	2.8	1.1	3.9	161.6	16.1	177.7	562.2
Sept.	2.4	1.2	3.6	173.6	17.9	191.5	572.7
Oct.	2.7	1.1	3.8	184.9	19.4	204.3	584.1
1959 -							
July	4.1	1.4	5.5	246.9	29.7	276.6	602.8
Aug.	2.9	1.2	4.1	253.1	31.1	284.2	600.2
Sept.	3.3	1.4	4.7	257.3	32.3	289.6	594.8
Oct.	2.9	1.2	4.1	262.8	33.5	296.3	594.0

(a) At end of period.

Source : P.M.G.'s Department.

VICTORIA : RAINFALL IN DISTRICTS

27.

Period	Mallee	Wimmera	Western	Northern Country	North Central	Central	North East	Gippsland
	inches	inches	inches	inches	inches	inches	inches	inches
1911-40(a)	12.49	17.52	27.59	18.09	28.16	28.89	34.81	33.47
1951	12.09	19.61	33.32	20.26	31.87	34.71	37.45	41.78
1952	15.22	21.87	39.30	21.85	35.56	40.66	46.24	48.71
1953	12.27	19.62	30.40	16.81	28.69	30.75	35.57	35.29
1954	13.41	17.68	25.92	21.22	29.88	30.93	35.58	34.02
1955	17.68	22.44	32.40	26.00	35.99	34.12	49.05	33.86
1956	20.85	24.31	34.02	31.45	41.17	34.29	55.59	44.25
1957	9.67	14.87	26.82	13.55	23.01	24.85	27.32	31.98
1958	15.45	17.65	29.05	21.40	31.57	28.99	37.78	35.42
1911-40(b)								
Jan.	0.68	0.74	1.19	1.04	1.37	1.66	1.83	2.49
Feb.	1.02	1.14	1.57	1.27	1.73	1.87	2.01	2.33
March	0.65	0.79	1.59	1.16	1.72	2.22	2.22	2.68
April	0.82	1.18	2.15	1.33	2.12	2.41	2.48	2.74
May	1.23	1.77	2.69	1.68	2.58	2.41	3.05	2.65
June	1.32	1.97	2.89	2.06	3.18	2.67	4.26	3.05
July	1.23	1.97	2.91	1.85	3.02	2.47	3.82	2.86
Aug.	1.24	1.94	3.19	1.84	3.11	2.71	4.03	2.90
Sept.	1.27	2.00	2.97	1.82	2.83	2.78	3.27	2.93
Oct.	1.22	1.51	2.50	1.65	2.52	2.90	3.20	3.25
Nov.	0.86	1.22	2.11	1.13	1.94	2.43	2.23	2.74
Dec.	0.95	1.29	1.83	1.26	2.04	2.36	2.41	2.85
1958 -								
Jan.	1.28	0.87	0.71	0.95	0.53	0.58	0.48	1.12
Feb.	0.87	0.32	1.10	1.29	2.05	2.56	2.21	3.71
March	0.17	0.34	1.00	0.49	0.64	0.86	1.86	1.78
April	0.42	0.39	0.90	0.31	0.66	0.81	1.05	0.65
May	1.47	3.32	5.11	2.81	4.99	4.08	5.61	4.33
June	0.18	0.45	1.63	0.33	0.91	1.27	1.07	2.44
July	1.94	2.82	4.25	2.94	4.09	3.04	6.47	3.35
Aug.	2.63	3.16	4.90	4.56	6.68	4.37	6.46	4.01
Sept.	0.92	1.37	2.57	1.53	2.35	2.64	3.00	3.32
Oct.	3.03	2.89	3.67	3.27	4.53	4.01	5.72	4.61
Nov.	2.12	1.40	2.33	2.29	3.06	2.86	2.55	2.89
Dec.	0.42	0.32	0.88	0.63	1.08	1.91	1.30	3.21
1959 -								
Jan.	1.24	1.03	1.43	0.91	0.97	0.67	0.78	0.94
Feb.	0.81	1.54	2.15	1.19	2.23	1.85	2.68	1.97
March	0.81	1.84	2.73	2.60	3.42	3.33	2.83	2.72
April	0.45	0.86	1.19	1.28	0.91	0.79	3.15	1.64
May	0.44	0.60	0.79	0.52	0.85	1.30	0.77	1.27
June	0.30	0.71	1.84	1.39	2.65	2.28	2.38	4.10
July	0.39	0.63	2.11	0.66	1.93	1.85	1.39	2.54
Aug.	1.02	2.41	3.37	1.40	2.95	2.74	3.58	3.27
Sept.	0.98	1.39	2.20	1.71	3.56	4.32	3.75	5.96
Oct.	2.60	1.67	2.04	2.91	2.42	2.87	3.28	3.56
Nov.	0.32	0.79	0.94	0.56	1.77	1.59	1.54	2.36

(a) Average rainfall per year over a standard 30 years' period.

(b) Average rainfall per month over a standard 30 years' period.

SALES OF WOOL AT AUCTION : VICTORIA

Period	Wool Sold			Amount Realized				Average Price of Greasy Wool at Auction in Victoria (including Albury)
	Greasy and Scoured			Mel-bourne	Geelong	Albury and Ballarat	Total	
	Mel-bourne	Geelong	Albury and Ballarat					
	thousand bales			£'000				pence per lb.
1949-50	577.0	287.4	127.1	44,023	25,903	9,073	78,999	65.00
1950-51	570.8	279.6	126.9	103,025	55,495	21,347	179,867	150.74
1951-52	576.6	308.6	114.3	46,987	28,194	8,960	84,141	68.65
1952-53	626.2	335.6	131.4	59,334	35,857	11,659	106,850	79.10
1953-54	577.1	306.8	124.0	55,438	32,946	11,370	99,754	82.24
1954-55	617.2	359.3	135.5	53,895	34,137	11,233	99,265	73.37
1955-56	669.5	382.7	142.7	50,538	30,877	10,139	91,554	62.22
1956-57	761.6	442.6	157.2	72,751	45,761	13,890	132,402	79.87
1957-58	679.9	448.5	123.7	51,648	36,649	9,226	97,523	63.82
1958-59	738.9	437.9	148.7	44,970	28,010	8,947	81,927	49.89
1958-59								
July-Nov.	265.7	125.7	49.3	15,620	7,932	2,908	26,460	48.29
1959-60								
July-Nov.	295.6	145.9	54.1	22,154	11,719	3,995	37,868	61.65
1958								
July	.1	(a)	..	6	..	..	6	10.03
Aug.	40.2	..	..	2,347	..	..	2,347	46.06
Sept.	46.9	..	23.9	2,846	..	1,406	4,252	48.03
Oct.	118.8	77.4	..	6,819	4,802	..	11,621	47.69
Nov.	59.7	48.3	25.4	3,602	3,130	1,502	8,234	50.04
1959								
July	.2	(a)	..	8	2	..	10	35.51
Aug.	50.9	..	..	3,929	..	..	3,929	60.91
Sept.	56.8	43.5	26.5	4,324	3,229	1,950	9,503	60.27
Oct.	122.1	51.3	..	9,020	4,262	..	13,282	61.89
Nov.	65.6	51.1	27.6	4,873	4,226	2,045	11,144	62.88

(a) Less than half the final digit shown.

Source : National Council of Wool Selling Brokers.